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TO: All Commissioners and Alternates
FROM: Charles R. Roberts, Executive Director
SUBJECT: JOINT RESOLUTION WITH BAY AREA REGIONAL AGENCIES
(For Commission consideration on December 5, 1974)

Last month the Regional Home Rule Goals Committee of the Association of Bay Area Government invited the chairmen and executive officers of the six Bay Area regional agencies to meet to discuss various means for establishing closer coordination between the agencies. A major item discussed was the possibility of coordinating the agencies' comments on any future legislative proposals for a comprehensive regional agency. The agency chairmen asked the executive officers to draft a resolution which would form a joint group to explore the possibilities for agreement on matters relating to formation of a comprehensive regional agency. The Bay Area regional agencies are now considering the draft resolution, a copy of which is attached. This resolution commits the Commission only to working with the other Bay Area regional agencies on the comprehensive regional agency question; any proposals to be made by the joint working group would be subject to approval by the parent agencies before final recommendations would be made.

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Staff Recommendation

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The staff recommends that the Commission approve the attached joint resolution.

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Attach.

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PROPOSED JOINT RESOLUTION

1. WHEREAS, over the past several years there has been legislation proposing various types of regional government and regional planning agencies for the Bay Area; and
2. WHEREAS, it appears that there will be similar legislation proposed in the future; and
3. WHEREAS, the existing regional agencies that may be affected by this legislation in some manner are the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), the Bay Area Air Pollution Control District (BAAPCD), the Bay Area Sewage Services Agency (BASSA), the Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC), the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB), the North Central Coast Regional Commission, and the Central Coast Regional Commission; and
4. WHEREAS, there is a need for the affected agencies to coordinate their positions on such legislation and to develop constructive contributions to the content of any new legislation;
5. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that these agencies do hereby establish a joint working group for the purpose of exploring the possibility of agreement on the following matters relating to the formation of a comprehensive regional agency:
 - a. Powers, objectives and responsibilities.
 - b. Geographical jurisdiction.
 - c. Organization and integration of existing agency staffs.



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d. Composition and size of the governing board.

e. Method for funding.

6. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the joint working group shall consist of the chairman, or his designee, and the executive officer of each agency, and that the joint working group shall elect a chairman and determine if other groups, governmental or non-governmental, should be included; and
7. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the joint working group shall hold open meetings by February 14, 1975 and report to the various agencies on the decisions reached and on recommendations for further action.

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